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To: All Users of *The Customer Guide to U.S. Security Assistance Programs*:

At our annual Security Cooperation Conference in September 2001, I announced that I intended to have a useful, web-based, modern tool in the hands of our Security Assistance community and our customers by the end of 2001. Here it is.

The Customer Guide to U.S. Security Assistance Programs is a user-friendly instrument that I believe you will find extremely helpful. From the electronic LOR guide, released at the conference as a stand-alone product, to the electronic links to the Security Assistance Management Manual (SAMM) the guide reflects the latest thinking of the community at large. Current mailing addresses for the military departments and links to useful defense-oriented web sites are an added benefit.

One cautionary note is necessary. This guide does not take the place of formal security assistance policy in any way; rather, it explains and illustrates existing policy in a manner that can be easily understood.

I hope you enjoy using this guide. Over time, changes will be required to keep it current. I have charged the Defense Institute for Security Assistance Management (DISAM) with the responsibility of keeping the document updated. If you have recommended changes or updates, I request that you contact DISAM at: Patrick.Hawkins@disam.dsca.osd.mil or Gregory.Sutton@disam.dsca.osd.mil.

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